

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1(Original). Pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of constipation by rectal administration comprising a polar lipid component, a polyvalent alcohol component, water, and optionally an oily triglyceride.

2(Currently amended). The composition of claim 1, wherein the oily triglyceride component is present and is a fraction of natural triglyceride.

3(Original). The composition of claim 2, wherein the oily triglyceride component comprises fractionated oat oil.

4(Currently amended). The composition of ~~any of claims 1-3~~ claim 1, wherein the polar lipid component comprises galactolipid.

5(Original). The composition of claim 4, wherein the galactolipid comprises digalactosyldiacylglycerol.

6(Currently amended). The composition of ~~any of claims 1-5~~ claim 1, wherein the polyvalent alcohol component is selected from the group consisting of glycerol, propylene glycol, butylene glycol, pentylene glycol, hexylene glycol, butylene-1,4-diol, pentylene-1,5-diol, hexylene-1,6-diol, macrogol, and ~~their~~ mixtures thereof.

7(Currently amended). The composition of claim 6, wherein the polyvalent alcohol component comprises is glycerol or propylene glycol.

8(Canceled).

9(Currently amended). The composition of ~~any of claims 1-8~~ claim 1, comprising from 0 per cent to 30 per cent of oily triglyceride and from 0.5 to 30 per cent of polar lipid component.

10(Currently amended). The composition of ~~any of claims 1-9~~ claim 1 of a creamy consistence, comprising from 5 to 30 per cent of oily triglyceride.

11(Currently amended). The composition of ~~any of claims 1-9~~ claim 1 of a gellous or viscous consistence, comprising from 5 per cent to 30 per cent of polar lipid component, with the provisio that it is free from oily triglyceride.

12(Original). The composition of claim 11, comprising from 8 per cent to 25 per cent of polar lipid component.

13(Canceled).

14(Currently amended). The composition of ~~any of claims 11-13~~ claim 11, comprising from 5 per cent to 75 per cent of polyvalent alcohol component.

15(Currently amended). The composition of ~~any of claims 11-13~~ claim 11, comprising from 8 per cent to 70 per cent of polyvalent alcohol component and from 10 per cent to 20 per cent of polar lipid component.

16 (Canceled).

17(Original). The composition of claim 11, essentially consisting of from 8 to 25 per cent of galactolipid, from 8 to 75 per cent of glycerol, and from 20 to 75 per cent of water, with the proviso that said components add up to 100 per cent.

18(Currently amended). The composition of ~~any of claims 1-17~~ from 10 per cent to 20 per cent of polar lipid component comprising a pharmacologically active agent.

19(Currently amended). The composition of claim 18, wherein the pharmacologically active agent is selected from the group consisting of sulphasalazine, sodium aminosalicylate, diazepam, chlorpromazine, tramadol, morphine, domperidone, piroxicam, paracetamol, indomethacin, diclofenac, naproxen, metronidazole, antibiotics, antimycotics, and local anaesthetics for use in hemorrhoid treatment local anaesthetics such as lidocaine.

20(Canceled).

21(Currently amended). The composition of ~~any of claims 1-20~~ claim 1 having a dynamic viscosity at 20°C of at least  $2.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$  Ns/m<sup>2</sup>.

22(Currently amended). The composition of ~~any of claims 1-20~~ claim 21 having a dynamic viscosity at 20°C of at least about  $5 \cdot 10^{-3}$  Ns/m<sup>2</sup>.

23. The composition of ~~any of claims 1-20~~ claim 21 having a dynamic viscosity at 20°C of at least about  $9 \cdot 10^{-3}$  Ns/m<sup>2</sup>.

24(Currently amended). Compressible device filled with a single dose of the composition of ~~any of claims 1-23 provided~~ claim 1 and having with a sealed mouthpiece adapted for rectal administration.

25(Currently amended). The device of claim 24 in form of a syringe or soft polymer container.

26(Canceled).

27(Currently amended). The device of ~~any of claims 24-26~~ claim 24, wherein the single dose has a volume of from 5 to 50 ml.

28(Currently amended). A method of treating constipation, comprising rectal administration of a constipation-dissolving amount of the composition of ~~any of claims 1-23~~ claim 1 to a person suffering from constipation.

29 – 32 (Canceled).